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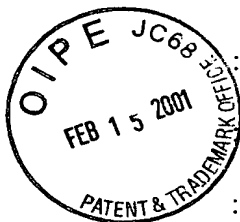
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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Further to the Preliminary Amendment filed November 9, 2000, this Supplemental Amendment is being filed to correctly amend claim 22 as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

B1 22. (Amended) A host cell suitable for expressing an EPO form as defined in claim 1 comprising [a] an expression vector [of claim 21] of DNA sequence encoding said EPO form.

REMARKS

The purpose of this Supplemental Preliminary Amendment is to correctly amend claim 22, including underlining and bracketing.

Respectfully submitted,

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